

Do you Have A Preschooler With Autism?

Researchers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland, seek children 2-4 years old diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Researchers want to learn if donepezil (Aricept®), which has shown to increase the amount of time children with autism spend in REM sleep, can improve communication skills in children with ASD.

Your child may not be eligible if he/she:

- Has serious, unstable illnesses including, respiratory, or cardiovascular disease
- Has neurological disorders such as seizure, metabolic, or movement disorders

Study Information:

- This study will involve outpatient and inpatient (overnight) visits and will be conducted at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland
- Your child will be screened with different tests including a sleep test study. You may sleep in the room with your child
- Your child will be assigned to take once a day donepezil or placebo (sugar pill) capsule for 6 months
- Follow-up visits will include behavioral assessment and will occur every 3 months over an 18 month period
- Transportation may be provided
- Parents must give permission for minors to participate

Location: The NIH Clinical Center, America's research hospital, is located on the Metro red line (Medical Center stop) in Bethesda, Maryland. Parking is provided at no cost.

For more information call:

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Online, clinicaltrials.gov

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